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Charleston-area park employee to receive national award

Michael Allen, Education Specialist for the National Park Service's Fort Sumter Group, is slated to receive the William C. Everhart Award for 2003. The William C. Everhart Award is awarded for sustained achievements in interpretation that have illuminated, created insights to, and fostered appreciation of cultural and natural heritage. The award will be presented on October 2 at Clemson University.



Education Specialist Michael Allen talks to a school group at Charles Pinckney National Historic Site – NPS photo

For three years Michael Allen has been the education specialist for Fort Sumter group, which consists of Fort Sumter National Monument, Fort Moultrie and Charles Pinckney National Historic Site.

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Michael was nominated for the award because of his work in developing the educational curriculum and programs for the sites, and his leading role in the National Park Service's Gullah-Geechee Special Resource Study. Michael has also been a great resource and advocate in interpreting the whole and complete story of the Civil War in the Southeast Region of the National Park Service.

William C. Everhart is known for joining the once-separate divisions of exhibits, audiovisual programs, publications, and planning together with interpretive services in the National Park Service. His career culminated with the establishment of Harpers Ferry Center, known around the world for its creative interpretive media materials.

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